

King Khaled receives Khammash

JEDDAH, July 19. — H.M. King Khaled of Saudi Arabia Monday received Minister of the Royal Hashemite Court Amer Khammash, currently on a visit here.

Crown Prince Fahd Ibn Abdul Aziz; Prince Sultan Ibn Abdul Aziz, the Minister of Defence and Aviation; Prince Saud Ibn Faisal, the Minister of Foreign Affairs; and King Khaled's special adviser, Dr. Rashad Pharaon, attended the meeting.

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Hussein, Alya start visit to Iran

AMMAN, July 19. — His Majesty King Hussein and Her Majesty Queen Alya left for Tehran Sunday for a few days' private visit to Iran.

Their Majesties were seen off by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, members of the royal family, Prime Minister Mudar Badran and top state officials.

Prince Hassan was appointed Viceroy during the King's absence by royal decree.

Schmidt draws strong French criticism on Italian prestand

PARIS, July 19. (Agencies). — France today disassociated itself from a reported statement by West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt that this country and three other major Western nations had decided to withhold financial aid to Italy if communists entered the government there.

"The French authorities disapproved of external declarations on the internal political situation of member states (of the Common Market) ... and cannot associate themselves with these declaratory statements," a spokesman for President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing said.

Last Saturday the Washington Post reported Herr Schmidt as having made the statement about Italy which drew today's criticism.

The chancellor later said in a U.S. television interview that Germany had not been asked to provide aid to Italy so far.

But he added that a \$2,000 million loan to the Italians by Bonn two years ago proved "our willingness to help partners if they do need help."

French Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand commenting the statement the Washington Post attributed to Herr Schmidt, said today:

"It takes a lot of cheek to think that the peoples of Western Europe will agree to be kept on a much longer by a new holy alliance."

Italy has meanwhile expressed surprise and regret in Brussels today over reported remarks by Chancellor Schmidt that Western aid to Italy was conditional on keeping the communists from power, Common Market officials said.

During a meeting of EEC foreign ministers, Italy's Mariano Rumor took West Germany's Hans-Dietrich Genscher aside for a 5-minute private conversation aimed at clarifying the statement attributed to the chancellor.

In Washington, President Ford said today that the American administration would be "very disturbed" if communists participated in an Italian government.

But it would not "dictate any formula to the government or the people of Italy," he added at a press conference on the White House lawn.

Mr. Ford did not specifically

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Egypt, Sudan sign joint defence pact

CAIRO, July 19. (R). — Presidents Anwar Sadat of Egypt and Jaafar Nimeiry of Sudan have signed a joint defence pact between their countries, a communique said here today.

The joint communique, released by the official Middle East News Agency, said the pact was signed last Thursday in Alexandria, where the two presidents expressed their belief in the existence of complete similarity in their countries' strategic security, the communique said. This was because of historical and geographical elements and the vital role played by the Nile valley in defending the entire Arab area and the African continent, it added.

Ford calls for special body to prosecute presidents

WASHINGTON, July 19. (R). — President Ford asked Congress today to authorize appointment of a permanent special prosecutor's office empowered to deal with possible criminal wrongdoing by a president, vice-president, other high government officials and members of Congress.

The prosecutor would have similar powers to investigate and prosecute as were wielded by the special prosecutor during the Watergate scandal of former President Nixon's administration.

Mr. Ford said in a letter to Mr. Carl Albert, Speaker of the House of Representatives, that a bill being considered by the Senate did not go far enough and might be unconstitutional in some respects.

The Senate bill would appoint several temporary prosecutors to deal with allegations of wrongdoing by key officials, excluding the president and vice-president, with each handling a different case.

Mr. Ford said the removal of the special prosecutor would be sanctioned only for extraordinary improprieties. The president would be required to submit his reasons for removal to the judiciary committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Former President Nixon enraged congressmen and others when he fired special Watergate prosecutor Archibald Cox in what became known as the "Saturday night massacre" in September, 1973.

ere the two leaders held talks before their current summit meeting in Jeddah.

The two countries are linked in a political and economic integration programme signed in February 1974.

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They decided to sign the pact to add to the strength of the two countries "in carrying out their national and African obligations and to give a new impetus to Arab solidarity in the field of defence ..."

Shortly after the abortive coup in Sudan earlier this month, it was announced that Sudan and Egypt had agreed on military co-operation and coordination.

Jeddah summit appeals for end of strife in Lebanon

CAIRO, July 19 (R). — Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Sudan today urged an immediate ceasefire in Lebanon and called for a round table conference to resolve the conflict there.

A joint communique released here after a two-day summit meeting in Jeddah attended by Saudi King Khaled, President Anwar Sadat of Egypt and President Jaafar Nimeiry of Sudan, called on all the warring factions in Lebanon to stop fighting immediately and to help pave the way for restoring peace there.

The king and the two presidents stressed that the safety of the Lebanese and Palestinian peoples was the national responsibility of all parties. This required an immediate end to the fighting, violence, and other provocative acts which threatened the lives of innocent people, the communique said.

The communique, issued in Cairo, Riyadh, and Khartoum, urged that the Arab peace-keeping force in Lebanon should be enabled to carry out its task "positively and decisively."

The force is made up of units from Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria, Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).



His Majesty King Abdullah

Nation marks King Abdullah's death

AMMAN, July 19. — Tuesday Jordan observes the 25th anniversary of the death of the late King Abdullah, grandfather of His Majesty King Hussein and founder of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, who was martyred at the door of Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem.

The late king was a staunch believer in Arab unity and worked assiduously for it throughout his political life since the Arab Revolt in which he played an outstanding role.

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tion Organisation (PLO).

The communique paid tribute to "the heroic steadfastness of the Palestinian people despite all challenges facing their struggle to realise their legitimate rights."

Observers here noted a moderate tone in the communique's reference to Lebanon. This they attributed to the three leaders' eagerness to find a response to their appeal for a ceasefire from the Lebanese right, and left, and the Palestinians.

The communique said Arab unity and solidarity should be the bases on which all Arab problems should be tackled.

King Khaled and President Sadat, the communique added, expressed their countries' solidarity "with the gallant Sudanese people in defeating aggression and dissension." This was a reference to an attempted coup in Sudan earlier this month.

Observers noted the communique did not make any reference to Libya which Presidents Nimeiry and Sadat had accused of masterminding the abortive coup.

The communique said the three leaders expressed satisfaction at their alliance and agreed to strengthen their ties.

As Tal Al Zaatar holds on Both sides anticipate intense mountain battles in Lebanon

BEIRUT, July 19 (Agencies). — Palestinians said today they fought off the fourth rightist attack in 24 hours on besieged Tal Al Zaatar camp this morning and predicted big new battles in the mountains east of Beirut.

They said opposition rightist and allied forces near the resort of Sofar, east of here, had been reinforced and had shelled Palestinian and leftist supply lines into the Metn region since Thursday.

"We expect big battles in that region," a Palestinian spokesman said.

In April and May the Palestinian-leftist alliance made gains in Metn, extending control over some traditionally rightist villages.

Fighting flared during the night in central Beirut and, the Voice of Palestine Radio said, round besieged Tal Al Zaatar camp.

The rightwing Phalangist radio made no mention today of fighting at the camp, but said 200 people there surrendered to the rightists yesterday.

It did not say whether they were fighting men or women, or had been among the 15,000 civilians, both Palestinian and Lebanese, who were inside the camp when the siege started.

A speaker on Phalangist Radio this afternoon judged that the coming week would see "a lot of activity." The radio said a rightist delegation which arrived in Damascus yesterday is continuing discussion there. It includes Mr. Fuad Roukoz, a top Phalangist military leader.

Rightist Lebanese Christian leaders today hinted at a new offensive in the war, calling for the rapid "liquidation" of Palestinian and Lebanese leftist positions in the mountains east of Beirut.

Their call, reported by the Phalangist Radio, came at a meeting with rightist President Suleiman Franjeh, who in a message to King Khaled of Saudi Arabia today urged the dispersal of Palestinians throughout the Arab World.

The rightist call for the liberation of the mountains was aimed at the villages of Aintoura and Mtein, to reopen the route between the rightist-held Mediterranean coast and the Christian-majority city of Zahle in central Lebanon.

If the rightists did attack in the

Mtein region, their allies would be able to cut Palestinian and Lebanese leftist forces from their supply centres, observers said.

Arab League special envoy Dr. Hassan Sabry Al Khouli, meanwhile, is expected to arrive in Beirut from Damascus shortly.

But a Palestinian spokesman today placed no hope in Arab League peace efforts.

In Damascus, Dr. Al Khouli held talks today with Lebanese and Palestinian politicians in a further effort to stop the fighting in Lebanon.

Dr. Khouli, who arrived in Damascus last night from Cairo, met former Lebanese Premier Abdulah Al Yafi and Takiuddin Al Solh. He also held talks with two senior Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) officials, Abu Maher and Abu Mazen.

Franjeh blasts Palestinians, accuses Libya of fueling war

BEIRUT, July 19 (Agencies). — The conservative Christian President of Lebanon, Suleiman Franjeh, has called for the dispersal of the Palestinians throughout all the countries of the Arab World.

In a message to King Khaled of Saudi Arabia broadcast by his Amshit Radio, he said his people were willing to make "all kinds of sacrifice" so their country could again become a model of co-existence between Christian and Moslem.

He blamed the fighting on Palestinian and Lebanese extremists whom he termed "communists," and their Libyan backers.

The message was also addressed to President Anwar Sadat of Egypt and Jaafar Nimeiry of Sudan, who today ended summit talks in the Saudi capital, Riyadh.

Egypt and Sudan, which earlier this month accused Libya of attempting an abortive coup had managed to thwart Libyan interference in their affairs and should now help Lebanon do likewise, Mr. Franjeh said.

He praised Syria for intervening in the Lebanese conflict and denied that it was "trying to protect the

Dr. Khouli told reporters he wanted to meet all parties in the Lebanese conflict to try to find an acceptable peace formula.

"Moslem leaders, meanwhile last night pleaded for a truce in the four-week siege of Tal Al Zaatar camp to permit the evacuation of 10,000 women and children before it is too late."

The President of the Shi'a Moslem Council, Imam Moussa Sadr, pleaded after Moslem delegates had talks with Syrian officials in Damascus yesterday for a truce in the siege of Tal Al Zaatar.

A Swedish nurse interviewed by radio said the camp contained about 1,000 wounded and between 400 and 600 dead.

The Moslem leaders, Shi'a and Sunni, also urged international or

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Peres: Israel will stay out of Lebanon even if there is partition

TEL AVIV, July 19 (R). — Israeli Defence Minister hinted today Israel might stand aside and not intervene if Lebanon were partitioned.

Mr. Peres spoke on a tour of the Lebanese border area.

He said there appeared to be "Cyprus-type elements" in the Lebanese situation.

Asked what Israel's reaction would be to changes in Lebanon, Mr. Peres said:

"It is not an Israeli responsibility. We do not mix in the internal situation of the Lebanon."

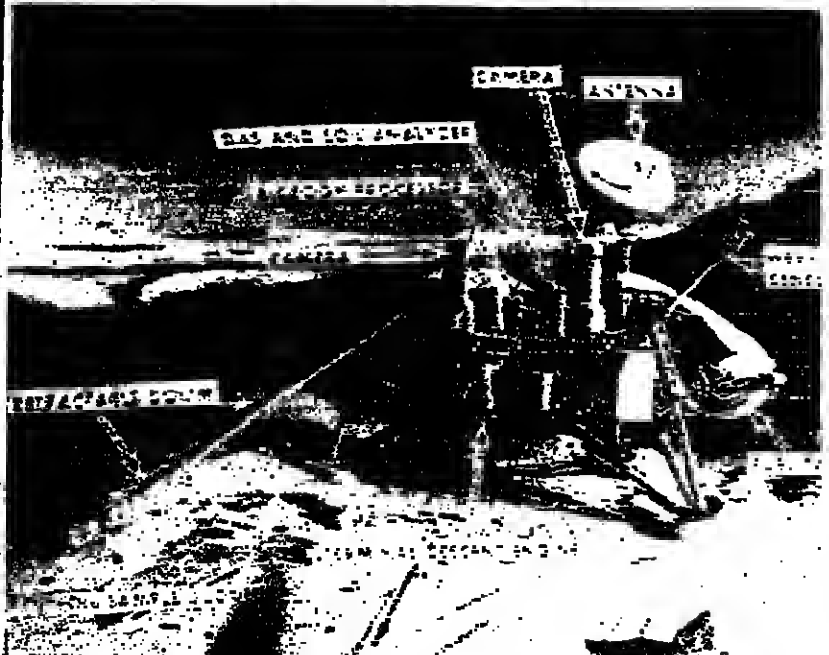
He added that Israel would make no moves as long as its own security was not threatened.

Mr. Peres' remarks contrasted with Israel's attitude towards partition in Lebanon several months ago, when it seemed likely that leftwing moslems and Palestinian forces would take control of a large area.

At that time there were indications that Israel would consider intervening if there was partition. But Mr. Peres' comments today, when Lebanese rightwing forces and their allies appear to have the upper hand, might indicate that Israel would now acquiesce in any partition.

LANDING SITE — The cross on this photo taken Saturday by Viking I marks the aiming point for Tuesday's landing on the surface of Mars.

All instruments agree Viking ready for Mars landing



LANDER SEEN BY ARTIST — This is an artist's conception of the Viking lander as it would look after its expected landing Tuesday on the surface of the planet Mars. Scientists "woke up" the unmanned landing craft Monday and found everything in fine working order for the craft's historic descent to the face of Mars. (AP wirephoto).

PASADENA, California, July 19. — The U.S. Viking I space-craft was declared ready today to land on Mars and begin an elaborate search for signs of life on the red planet, officials announced.

Less than 24 hours before the scheduled landing tomorrow at 12:12 GMT.

"We consider we are in very good shape," mission director Thomas Young said after a complete

touch down gently on the dusty Martian surface three hours and 10 minutes after it is automatically detached from the orbiting mother ship.

A huge parachute will slow its descent and legs are expected to come to rest in a flat, low-lying area in the northern hemisphere, believed to have once been a lake created by ice-laden rivers.

The prospective landing site was approved after two previous target areas were rejected as too rough to assure a safe landing.

Photographs from the orbiting Viking indicate the latest landing site contains a few small craters and some apparently dried-up river beds, but no large boulders.

Minutes after it lands, Viking will send back two pictures. The first will be of the ground beneath the lander showing the impact the saucer-like pods on its legs made at touchdown. The second will be a panorama of the surrounding surface.

The bug-like miniaturised lander bristles with gadgets to test the weather and atmosphere on Mars: inside, the vehicle is a biological laboratory, designed to detect traces of life, past or present.

Experiments to test Mars' temperatures, air pressure, the gases of its atmosphere, wind speed and wind direction will begin almost immediately.

But the big excitement comes eight days later when the space-craft reaches out a ten-foot (three

metre) arm and scoops up a sample of Martian soil for tests seeking clues about the presence of organic matter.

What space scientists hope to see in the first pictures sent back from Mars is that the legs of the

lander have settled down into a soft dust-like surface.

They believe that the soil there was once brought down by streams from Martian highlands and could be rich in organic matter.

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Act of principle

The withdrawal of some 20 African and Arab states from the Montreal Olympic Games has been heralded as the beginning of the end of the Olympic tradition. And those who are already preparing the epitaph for the games will be further disappointed by the statement of the secretary general of the Supreme Council for Sport in Africa that the African boycott of the Olympics will be applied to other world sports until people realise they cannot support South Africa.

The dramatic last-moment decision to withdraw from the games has certainly had the desired effect of drawing attention to the fact of individual nations' sporting ties with South Africa. Strangely enough, however, the world's attention is now focussed on the fate of the Montreal games, and whether or not these will be the last Olympic Games the world will ever see. Few have asked themselves whether it is appropriate for New Zealand to maintain its sporting links with the South Africans.

The boycott is a clear-cut matter whose underlying objectives we understand and share. There may have been other ways to make the point, but since the boycott has already been applied it is a bit late now to recommend alternatives, however many alternatives there may indeed be.

It is not a glorious thing to see the Olympics "disrupted" in this manner, and it is not a comfortable feeling to have one's aspirations of witnessing this display of universal goodwill suddenly shattered by the cacophony of dissent and the applied dictates of one's principles.

The ultimate point to be considered here is not the fact of the Olympic Games this month at Montreal, but rather the question of what does one do in the face of the moral brutality of South African apartheid? The goodness of the Olympic ideal does not and never will overwhelm the evil of apartheid; thus to ask the boycotting nations to suspend the application of their principled opposition to South African apartheid for the sake of athletic harmony at Montreal is an inversion of the very moral principles that one seeks to bring into force in South Africa itself. The ideal of racial equality in South Africa is stronger than the ideal of athletic universality at Montreal, and the denial of equality in South Africa is more debilitating and more outrageous than the denial of athletic universality at the Olympics. It would be a shame to wreck the Olympic tradition, but it would be a greater shame, and a crime against the good principles of humanity that are the essence of the Olympic tradition, to stand idle in the face of the blasphemy of apartheid.

The Olympic Games are just that — a bunch of games. The dignity of black South Africans — of any human being — is deeper and more important. When the two conflict, we believe the games will inevitably have to give way. Games can be rescheduled and replayed. Smothered dignity cannot.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Al Rai Monday commended Prime Minister Mudar Badran's assertion to a visiting Jordan Press Association delegation — to congratulate him on his assumption of the premiership — that the government will allow the press full freedom to express itself on all matters serving the interests of the country and the welfare of the people.

The paper agrees with the prime minister that a mutual commitment by the government and the press to the freedom of expression was all the more essential in the present stage of Jordan's rapid growth and development in all fields. The press is also called upon to participate in the process, beginning with itself, through the fulfillment of its pledge to project the "message of the letter" and the sanctity of the "word."

Commenting on the worsening situation in the Lebanese civil war and the Arab League's "lame" efforts to find a solution to the crisis, Al Sbaab derisively advises the League's Secretary-General Mahmoud Riad not to take the trouble of going to Beirut — as he said he was ready to do — because the sixteen month old fighting was still raging with full strength, and also "because we are afraid that the Secretary-General might be hit by a fragment of a bomb, or by a rocket or a stray bullet from a trigger-happy sniper..."

Al Shaab suggests that instead of going to Beirut, to find all Arab League Peace efforts stuck in a "cul-de-sac," Mr. Riad, out of national necessity, should immediately rush to all Arab capitals and explain the real threat posed by the deteriorating situation in Lebanon, in a bid to convince those capitals to apply all possible pressure — and force if need be — on the contending parties to stop fighting and move towards a peaceful dialogue, before the solution of the crisis gets out of Arab hands.

In an earlier commentary on the same subject, Al Rai forecasts

Exchange Rates

Following are the official exchange rates at the close of the business day yesterday. The two figures denote buying and selling prices in Jordanian fils.

U.S. dollar :	333.0	335.0
U.K. sterling :	593.0	599.0
French franc :	68.4	68.7
Swiss franc :	134.5	134.9
German mark :	129.7	130.1
Iraqi dinar :	930.0	937.5
Syrian pound :	82.2	82.3
Egyptian pound :	480.0	482.5
Lebanese pound :	103.6	106.4
U.A.E. dirham :	83.2	83.7

Jordan, Bahrain end agricultural talks

AMMAN. — Talks on increasing the export of agricultural products to Bahrain between representatives from the Agricultural Marketing Corporation (AMC) and a Bahraini delegation ended here Monday.

The corporation's Director General Mohammad Ali Loubani said that discussions centred on ways to increase the export of vegetables and fruits to the Bahrain. The members of the delegation also discussed with individual agricultural exporters procedures to be adopted to facilitate and speed up the process.

Bahrain's vegetable and fruit imports are estimated at around JD1 million, coming mainly from African countries. But the Bahrain government recently decided to increase the volume of agricultural exchange with Arab countries.

Federation of Chambers of Commerce welcomes tariff reductions

AMMAN, (JNA). — The Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce Monday adopted a resolution supporting the government's decision to lower tariffs on certain commodities to ease the cost of living for citizens.

The federation decided to thank the government for its initiative and expressed the wish that similar initiatives would follow.

In a meeting held in Zarka, it also called on merchants to bring down the prices of their goods in the light of the tariff reductions.

The federation also reviewed memoranda from the Amman, Zarka and Kerak Chambers of Commerce requesting the government to keep close tabs on the real cost of imports and to enlarge agricultural production by exempting certain necessary raw materials from taxes.

Hotels to be built in Petra, Jerash

AMMAN. — The Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities will soon start construction of a 76-room hotel at Petra and a complex to house a health clinic, a post office, a cafeteria and a restaurant, the Director General of Tourism, Mr. Ghaleb Abu Jaber, said Monday.

A project for a sound and light show in Jerash has been approved, he added, and a 400-room hotel is to be built there.

The projects are part of the ministry's plan to develop Petra and Jerash as touristic sites.

The council of ministers, in its Sunday session, had approved an agreement concluded between the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities and the International Development Association (IDA), under which the IDA is to advance Jordan a \$6 million loan for the implementation of the above projects. The loan will be repaid during a period of 50 years and carries minimal interest rates.

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UNDF finances demographic, statistics projects

AMMAN. — The U.N. Demographic Fund has helped to finance a number of local demographic projects to the tune of \$200,000 since 1972 the Director General of the Department of Statistics said Monday.

These projects, he said, included the human fertility survey conducted by the department in 1972, the Statistics Training Centre here and the regional seminar held here on demographic patterns and development.

The Jordanian Government had requested the UNDF to finance Health.

AMMAN. — His Majesty King Hussein Sunday sent a congratulatory cable to His Majesty King Juan Carlos of Spain on the occasion of his country's national day.

AMMAN. — H.R.H. Prince Mohammad, the special representative of His Majesty King Hussein paid a visit to the Prime Minister Sunday evening where he met with Prime Minister Mudar Badran.

AMMAN. — His Majesty King Hussein Sunday sent a cable of condolences to His Highness Sheikh Khalifa Ibn Hamad Al Thani, the Emir of Qatar, on the occasion of the death of his brother, Sheikh Kassem Ibn Hamad Al Thani.

AMMAN. — It has been decided to appoint Minister of Culture and Information Adnan Abu Odeh head of the Executive Bureau of the Occupied Territories Affairs.

AMMAN. — Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan Ibrahim Sunday morning received the Romanian ambassador to Jordan.

AMMAN. — Minister of Waqf, Islamic Affairs and Holy Places Kamel Al Sharif Monday received the U.S. ambassador to Jordan.

AMMAN. — Minister of Communications Abdul Karim Al Rayaydeh Monday received the Chinese and South Korean ambassadors to Jordan.

AMMAN. — Minister of Justice Abdul Karim Al Tarawneh Monday received the U.S. ambassador to Jordan.

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7.00	Breakfast show, morning melodies
7.30	News bulletin
7.40	New reel
8.00	Sign off
12.00	Pop session (part I)
1.00	News summary
1.05	Pop session (part II)
2.00	News bulletin
2.10	Radio magazine

2.30	Melody time
3.00	Concert hour
4.00	Old favorites
4.30	Easy listening
5.00	Walking the folkways
5.30	Pop session (part III)
6.00	News summary
6.05	Listener's choice
6.30	Special feature
7.00	News bulletin
7.10	New reel
7.30	Sign off

Amman Airport

Departures :

9.30	Baghdad (IA)
10.30	Rome
11.00	Cairo
11.15	Kuwait (KAC)
12.00	Geneva, Brussels, Amsterdam
15.30	Aqaba (SA)
20.00	Bangkok, Bahrain
20.30	Abu Dhabi, Karachi
20.30	Damascus (SA)
21.00	Jeddah
23.55	Doha, Muscat
8.30	Baghdad (IA)

Arrivals :

9.25	Dubai, Abu Dhabi
9.30	Bangkok, Bahrain
10.30	Kuwait (KAC)
15.00	Aleppo, Damascus (SA)
17.30	Cairo
17.40	Paris
18.00	Aqaba (SA)
18.15	Copenhagen, Vienna
18.20	Frankfurt
18.45	Casablanca, Madrid, Athens
19.00	London
19.00	Rome
19.15	Amsterdam, Athens (KLM)

Cabinet appoints Nuselbe permanent U.N. representative

AMMAN. — In its Sunday session, the council of ministers appointed Dr. Hazem Nuselbeh, as Jordan's Permanent Representative to the U.N. to replace Sherif Abdul Hamid Sharaf who recently took up the post of Chief of the Royal Cabinet.

Prime Minister Mudar Badran presided over the meeting.

The council also approved plans by the Aqaba Port Department to seek a JD2 million loan from the Arab Bank to finance the floating quay it wants to construct and empowered Minister of Finance Salem Massa'deh to sign the guarantee for the loan on behalf of the government.

The ministers also approved an agreement under which the International Development Association (IDA) is to advance Jordan a \$6 million loan to develop tourism in Petra and Jerash.

A cooperation agreement between Jordan and Holland was also approved. Under the agreement, the Dutch government will provide 5.5 million florins as a contribution towards financing the Agricultural Marketing Centre which is to be set up in the Jordan Valley.

The council of ministers also allocated \$200,000 to be paid into the \$2,400,000 fund set up by UNDF to finance demographic projects in Jordan during the years 1976-80.

The ministers approved details of the agreement which the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs is to conclude with CARE to develop health, social and agricultural services in rural areas. CARE will contribute \$190,000 to help finance those services.

The council also approved membership of Jordan's delegation to the Non-Aligned For Ministers Conference to be in Colombo, Sri Lanka on Aug. 11. The delegation will be headed by the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Hassan him and ambassadors Midhat maa, Nabih Nimr, Zubair K and Qassem Ghazzawi.

Sharif Sharaf visits premier C. in C.

AMMAN. — Chief of the R Hashemite Cabinet, Sharif A Hamid Sharaf visited Prime Minister Mudar Badran Monday at a

Sharif Sharaf also visited Army Command where he met th. General Sharif Zaid Im. ker. The Commander in Chief the Jordanian Armed Forces, some time.

Earlier Sharif Sharaf received the Royal Hashemite Court American Ambassador and the viet charge d'affaires in Amman.

President of Sanaa University leaves

AMMAN. — The President of University of Sanaa (the Ye Arab Republic), Mr. Hassan i ki, left here Monday at the a five-day visit during which he held talks with the President the University of Jordan Dr. i Al Farhan on ways to bolster operation between the two institutions.

Mr. Makki was seen off at airport by Dr. Farhan and university officials.

Market Prices

Apricots :	140-180
Bell pepper :	100-140
Bananas :	160-200
Carrots :	40-55
Cabbage :	50-80
Cauliflower :	120-170
Cucumbers (small) :	120-160
Cucumbers (large) :	50-80
Eggplant (small) :	50-80
Eggplant (large) :	20-35
Green beans :	80-120
Garlic (dry) :	180-240
Grapes :	120-180
Hot pepper :	200-280
Lemon :	100-130
Marrow (small) :	80-110
Marrow (regular) :	40-60
Musk melon :	80-120
Orange :	100-140
Onion (dry) (imp.) :	80-100
Onions (white) :	50-80
Okra (green) :	160-200
Okra (red) :	100-130
Potatoes (local) :	100-130
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All backs Ford feeling of confidence battle with Reagan for nomination

WASHINGTON, July 19, (R). — The process of selecting delegates for the Republican national convention ended this weekend with both president Ford and Mr. Reagan tantalisingly short of the votes needed for the party's presidential nomination.

Mr. Reagan's tally of 1,020 delegates left the president with 1,100 of the 1,130 votes needed for victory at next month's convention in Kansas City. Mr. Reagan was trailing him by about 100 votes.

But the formal end of the delegate selection process Sunday, when men seized an opportunity to play the role of the challenger began a week holiday.

Also much of the rest of the week, the results in the various states and territories were being tallied. A clean sweep of 35 delegates for Mr. Ford in the east and a clean sweep of 20 delegates for Mr. Reagan in the west.

Mr. Reagan did little to reduce the close struggle that has divided the party. But a poll released today indicated that Mr. Reagan has suffered a serious loss of support in the past month.

The poll said Republicans preferred Mr. Ford to Mr. Reagan for nomination by about two to one. Of those questioned, 61 per cent favoured the president to 31 per cent for his challenger.

Angola premier visits Yugoslavia

BRASIA, July 19 (AFP) — The Angolan Premier Lopo de Nascimientos arrived here last night on a five-day visit to Yugoslavia, his first since taking office.

Nascimento is scheduled to have largely political discussions with his counterpart Djemal Bijedic, possibly will meet President Josip Tito.

The talks are expected to focus on bilateral cooperation, trade, and on problems related to Soviet and Cuban troops in Angola.

Another development, dissensions have sprung up within Angola's ruling People's Liberation Movement (MPLA), the Yugoslav news agency Tanjug reported today quoting a speech by President Agostinho Neto in Luanda yesterday.

President Neto reportedly criticised "those comrades who still think they can act outside the law and who form groups to meet where they think fit and who oppose the decisions of the party leadership."

The president said such a situation was "inadmissible" and "comrades who refused to comply with the MPLA's rules would be expelled."

President Neto did not name the dissidents or specify what were the party rules.

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COACHING — Egyptian basketball players surround their coach Sunday night at the Olympics in Montreal during a preliminary basketball game. Egypt played the Czechoslovak team and was beaten. The Egyptian team played because it had not received an official confirmation from Cairo to boycott the Olympics. (AP wirephoto)

Britain to close Mesira base, pull out of Oman

MUSCAT, July 19, (R) — Britain will close its last military base in the Middle East next March and also withdraw an air force unit from southern Oman, the Foreign Ministry announced today.

The withdrawal was agreed in recent talks in London with Oman's Sultan Qabus Ibn Said, the announcement said.

The last outpost is a base on the island of Mesira, off the southeast coast of the Arabian Peninsula, where the British Air Force has for many years had staging facilities under an agreement with the Omani government.

The Air Force ground unit being withdrawn operates at an Omani base at Salalah, capital of the southern province of Dhofar.

The withdrawal, in line with the British government's wish to run down military commitments in the east, would not affect pilots and other British servicemen seconded to the Omani Air Force, the statement added.

The statement said the withdrawal "will in no way affect the existing close and friendly relations between the Sultanate and the United Kingdom."

There were about 350 Britons last year in the sultan's 14,000-strong armed forces, including seconded and contract officers and a squadron of the Special Air Services (SAS), but it was not immediately clear how many Britons were still serving in Oman.

Sultan Qabus announced seven months ago that leftwing insurgents in Dhofar province had finally been crushed after fighting for more than ten years.

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Officer says in Lebanon Rashaya peace shown as model of Syrian desires

RASHAYA, Lebanon, July 18, (R). — Syrian forces control three-fifths of the territory of Lebanon, according to a senior Syrian officer here.

He told journalists who made a two-day Syrian-sponsored visit to this part of southeastern Lebanon that their mission was only to stand between the warring factions to keep them apart.

The officer, who asked not to be named, denied allegations by the Palestinians and the Lebanese left that Syria was fighting on the side of their rightwing enemies.

He said that how long the Syrian forces stayed in Lebanon would be decided by the political leaders in Damascus and would depend on the results of peace-making efforts by the Arab League and among the Lebanese factions.

This fortress town on the northern foothills of Mount Hermon lies on the approaches from Syria to the steep valleys of the Arqoub region.

It was taken over earlier this year by breakaway leftists of the Lebanese Arab Army (LAA).

But the man who commanded the Lebanese garrison here, Major Ibrahim Shabin, said he broke with the LAA two months ago.

He told the visiting newsmen the LAA commander, Lieutenant Ahmed Al Khatib, had insisted on fighting instead of trying to stop the civil war and reorganise the fragmented Lebanese army under the leadership of President-elect Elias Sarkis.

Mr. Selim Al Daoud, the deputy for this district to the Lebanese Parliament, told newsmen that "the Syrian intervention was at our request because we believe that no Arab state except Syria is capable of stopping the fighting."

He was flanked by a former deputy for the nearby Western Bekaa district, Mr. Shibli Al Arian, who endorsed his praise for the Syrian presence here.

Newsmen saw no sign of destruction in this corner of southeastern Lebanon, and heard no shots fired during their two-day visit, but they saw 15 houses partly destroyed in the mountain resort of Sofar.

Sofar, which stands astride the Damascus-Beirut mountain highway and commands a strategic position near its summit, was the site of unsuccessful Syrian-Palestinian talks two weeks ago.

The village mayor, Mr. Said Shaya, said the Syrians fired at the houses after they came under fire from them.

U.S. industrial output increase rate marks drop

WASHINGTON, July 19 (AFP) — Industrial output in the United States rose 0.3 per cent in June, which was sharply down on the rate during the preceding few months, the Federal Reserve Board announced.

The increase in May had been 0.7 per cent. The June rise was the smallest since March last year when, in fact, industrial production dropped 0.9 per cent.

The Federal Reserve Board attributed the small June figure to the rubber industry strike that began on April 21 and to the slow recovery in non-durable consumer goods output.

Generally, the production recovery underwent something of a pause in the second quarter of this year, but Federal Reserve officials believe the increase will be satisfactory for the rest of this year.

Meanwhile, White House economists have uprated their forecasts for 1976. They now believe that the gross national product (GNP) will increase by 6.8 per cent instead of the 6.2 per cent forecast earlier, and that the cost of living will increase only five per cent instead of 5.9 per cent.

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Mondale calls Ford a nice guy Business circles react well to prospects of Carter win

NEW YORK, July 19, (AFP). — Jimmy Carter's nomination as the Democratic candidate for president has been received in U.S. business circles with "Equanimity", even satisfaction, Newsweek reports.

In this week's issue, the news-magazine interviews more than 40 company heads, who say they are particularly happy with the former Georgia governor's promise to bring "tight, businesslike management" to Washington if he is elected president in November.

They also say they like his plan to require annual accounting of all federal programmes, but say they doubt he can bring in the innovation.

But, says Republican businessman Bruce Smart, "Carter is pragmatic, middle-of-the-road and not doctrinaire. If a Democrat has to win, I'd prefer Carter."

Leslie Pollack, head of investments for Shearson, Hayden and Stone, points out that the stock market has not reacted to Mr. Carter's nomination.

"If business was uncomfortable with Carter," he says, "the market would be going down. Instead, it's on an even keel, which seems to be saying that we can live with this guy."

Egypt aid fund scheme initialled

CAIRO, July 19 (AFP) — A \$2,000 million fund to aid Egypt has been set up covering development projects in the five years to 1980.

Arrangements for the fund were initialled Sunday in Cairo by the finance ministers of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar, as well as Egypt.

The final signature is set for Aug. 18 in the Egyptian capital. The formal document will be drafted next Saturday in Riyadh.

One newspaper, Al-Ahram, said the contributions are: Saudi Arabia 40 per cent; Kuwait 30 per cent; the Emirates and Qatar both 15 per cent.

Soviet carrier Kiev sails through into Mediterranean

ANKARA, July 19, (R) — The 40,000-ton Kiev, regarded in the West as the Soviet Union's first aircraft carrier, has sailed through the Bosphorus this weekend for its first appearance in the Mediterranean.

The Soviet Union gave advance warning to Turkey of the Kiev's passage, describing the vessel as "anti-submarine cruiser number 860."

A Turkish government statement said the passage had not violated the 1936 Montreux Agreement governing naval movements through the Bosphorus and Dardanelles.

Diplomatic sources reported that the Kiev was not operational at present, having no aircraft on board. According to the latest issue of Jane's Fighting Ships, the Kiev is designed for both vertical take-off and landing aircraft and helicopter operations.

In the long run, the entry of the Kiev into the Mediterranean could mean a significant shift in the naval balance of power in the area, the diplomatic sources added.

Istanbul port authorities said a second Soviet vessel, the missile-launching cruiser Admiral Ushakov, 15,450 tons, entered the Mediterranean from the Black Sea yesterday.

Israel to get U.S. nuclear aid

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, July 19, (R). — Israel announced Sunday it will sign an agreement with the United States on the peaceful use of atomic energy, including American aid in the construction of two \$1,000 million nuclear reactors.

The agreement must still be approved by the U.S. Congress.

According to sources close to the Israeli cabinet, the agreement provides for American inspection of only the two new reactors to be built with U.S. help. Israel has two other nuclear installations.

Bruce Henderson, president of the Boston Consulting Group, praises Mr. Carter, but remains skeptical. "I think he's got the makings of a first-class president," he says. "But he's a Democrat, and the Democrats are the party of inflation. Mixing Carter and a Democratic Congress may be like mixing gasoline in a forest fire."

Senator Walter Mondale, meanwhile Democratic candidate for Vice president, says in his own Newsweek interview this week that he wants a "strong defence" but calls for more "review and evaluation" of U.S. defence projects.

"We don't have unlimited amounts of money and we have to spend it wisely," he says. "I want every programme subject to review and evaluation. I think these programmes have to be tested by whether they work."

Concerning Central Intelligence Agency activities, Senator Mondale says he "Never joined those who wanted to prohibit cover activities."

"I did say they should be much more limited, put under responsible control and used only in those rare instances where it is essential. I never attacked the need for the best intelligence apparatus in the world. I attacked the abuse of power."

In an interview with Newsweek before he was nominated, Senator Mondale describes President Ford as "A nice guy, but the nice just doesn't cut well enough. I just don't think he is quite bright enough to be a good president."

As for Mr. Ford's rightwing challenger for the Republican nomination, former California Governor Ronald Reagan, Senator Mondale says his positions do not reveal "a hint of human justice, of social justice."

Studies rap U.S. arms aid methods in Iran

WASHINGTON, July 19, (R). — U.S. military advisers are giving Iran's armed forces conflicting advice and in some cases providing inadequate supervision of American military sales to the country, according to two State Department studies released last night.

The studies were released by Democratic Congressmen Les Aspin, who called the U.S. military sales programme in Iran a managerial "nightmare".

One study said that while the Army and the Air Force were trying to expedite Iran's purchase of a computer system, the Navy objected to the proposal.

Similarly, while the Air Force recommended that Iran hire retired U.S. military personnel as computer programmers, the U.S. military mission in Iran cautioned that the move might violate American law.

In the second study, State Department investigators said they found the Pentagon's mechanism for monitoring the performance of U.S. military contractors in Iran in some instances totally inadequate.

The Defence Department relied upon the contractors' own assessment of their performance and progress, it said.

The study criticised a contract for an improved Hawk air defence missile system in Iran.

"It is nigh on impossible to determine who has prime responsibility for contract administration and monitoring," the study said.

Qatari minister dies in hospital

DENVER, COLORADO, July 19, (R). — Sheikh Jassem Al Thani, Qatar's Minister of Education and Culture, died Saturday night at the University of Colorado Medical Centre, three days after undergoing exploratory surgery, the hospital said today.

Sheikh Al Thani, 55, died of complications from the surgery and a liver ailment, a hospital spokesman said.

He was the brother of Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad Al Thani, ruler of Qatar.

Sheikh Al Thani was admitted to hospital on June 20 for tests to determine whether he could undergo a liver transplant. The transplant was later ruled out.



"LOOK, IT FLIES!" is the name of this 1946 oil on canvas by Japanese-born Yasuo Kuniyoshi. It will be among the more than 250 works displayed in "Artist-Immigrants of America: 1870-1976," a Bicentennial exhibition planned by the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden in Washington, D.C.

Value of Israeli pound linked to 5 currencies

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, July 19, (R). — Israel Sunday announced a two per cent devaluation of its currency and said the official exchange rate of the Israeli pound would no longer be tied exclusively to the U.S. dollar.

The measures, which took effect from midnight Sunday, were decided at the weekly cabinet meeting.

The government cut the exchange rate to 8.12 Israeli pounds to the dollar, from 7.97.

The study said military sales to Iran have amounted to about \$10,000 million since the first order was placed four years ago. The U.S. is also helped to train Iranian military personnel in Iran.

The pound's official value will also in future be linked with sterling, the West German mark, the French franc and the Dutch florin as well as the dollar.

The devaluation, decided by a special inter-ministerial committee, was the 11th in 15 months under a policy of "creeping devaluation." In April last year, the Israeli pound was 6.20 to the dollar.

The Finance Ministry said today that the policy had enabled exports to rise by 22 per cent in the first half of this year, compared with the same period last year.

But the government also indicated today that the inter-ministerial committee would be given greater latitude in future in view of the new five-currency "basket", and would no longer be limited to devaluation once a month not greater than two per cent.

Viewdata — the revolutionary new British Post Office system for displaying telephoned information on television sets — gets its first major public showing at the new National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham. Here, a businessman uses a custom-built terminal to make a telephoned request for details of current share prices.

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Soviet Union prepares to invade Western Europe : with cut-price cars

PARIS, FRANCE (CSM) — Bernard Hanon stalks to a window in Renault's new gleaming steel-and-glass headquarters on the outskirts of Paris, points east, and says:

"That's where the next automotive invasion of Western Europe is coming from — the Communist countries of Eastern Europe."

Mr. Hanon is in charge of all automotive activities for the multifaceted state-owned industrial giant which builds one-third of France's total output of motor vehicles and is the country's No. 1 export firm.

Conceding his concern, the planning chief declares: "We don't plan to give up or abandon our market in Europe, we'll fight and try to stay competitive."

But that could be a tough chore. The cars coming out of factories in the Soviet Union, Poland, and other Eastern-bloc countries are more than competitive in price — and, in fact, the charge of dumping is often heard from Western carmakers.

So, combined with galloping costs, inflation which exceeds 10 per cent at the moment, and worker demands for higher and higher wages, the prospect of a hardening battle with the state-owned auto industry of the Communist countries is unsettling at best for carmakers in France.

Up to now France has not been a major target for the Eastern-bloc cars. Instead, they've been directed more at countries such as Belgium, Holland, Finland, and Norway, all without major auto-manufacturing plants of their own.

"It's hard for them to compete where there are large ongoing auto industries — West Germany, France, and Italy," says Mr. Hanon.

"Yet," he adds, "they're going to increase their aggressive behaviour, and within five years it can be a serious preoccupation on the part of the French car industry."

Quality of the Communist-built motor vehicles is on the rise — even if styling is not. But there are drawbacks. Servicing, for example, is not easy, and the resale value is poor.

To compensate for the increasing prospect of more Eastern European cars in France, French authorities are looking for a bigger slice of the business in other parts

of the world, notably the U.S. market. The R-5 Peugeot, for instance, is hoping to sell 50,000 cars a year there by the early 1980s. Citroen, now part of Peugeot, is debating a re-turn to the U.S. market. Renault is looking for 100,000 cars a year by the end of the '70s.

That could be a big order. Renault has been shuffling along with a few thousand cars a year since the debacle of the late 1950s involving the Caravelle and Dauphine, cars which ill-tuned for the U.S. market.

Now the company is testing time with its highly successful R-5 minicar which packs a lot of the inside space into a small outside package.

Yet because of the current burst in European auto sales — up 30 per cent over a year ago — Renault's renewed attack on the

U.S. market was blunted. The R-5 Peugeot, for instance, is hoping to sell 50,000 cars a year there by the early 1980s. Citroen, now part of Peugeot, is debating a re-month, and only now are they turning to the U.S. market. Renault is looking for 100,000 cars a year by the end of the '70s.

Renault also is looking towards Japan with the likelihood of test marketing a few cars within the next year of two. "All our experience in other parts of the world won't be too helpful for us in Japan," he reports. "You can't just pour cars into the Japanese market."

The company also is looking towards broadening its hold in the Middle East as well as Latin America.

Meanwhile, Mr. Hanon is keeping an eye peeled on the East, waiting for the first automotive onslaught over the horizon.



These Soviet-made autos are awaiting shipment from Moscow's Sverdlov River port — ready to engulf Western Europe.

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Birth control is unethical political tool to control urban

WASHINGTON, D. C. (CSM) — Hard on the heels of India's compulsory sterilisation law comes the news that Jihan Sadat, wife of Egypt's ruler, is considering a similar law for her country.

How and whether such laws will or can be enforced raises interesting questions. In both countries, rural medical services are too scarce to carry out such a programme. Therefore, the law can only be enforced in the urban areas, where birthrates are already low.

So what is its purpose?

In answer, it should be recognised that a crucial change has taken place in this century in the economic role of the poor. The pyramids of ancient Egypt could not have been built without the labours of the poor. The cath-

edrals of medieval Europe and the steel, railroad, and cotton empires of 19th-century America could not have been created without their efforts.

But the 20th-century industrialised economy can be put in place more easily without them.

What this means is that in the most economically productive of all centuries, it becomes more difficult than ever to keep in mind the human objectives of economic production. The constant temptation to put means before ends, to see economic development as an end in itself, becomes stronger than ever before.

The momentum of the population-control movement stems in no small part from these facts. It is not that the procreation of the poor is straining world resources; every demographer knows that world resources are easily capable of supporting a population many times its present size. It is simply that the labours of the poor are superfluous in the modern economy, and their demands for food and housing are an impediment to prestigious, heavy industrial development.

In the views of its proponents, not only does compulsory sterilisation promise to simplify and

accelerate technological "progress" but it offers political benefits as well.

It places the blame for economic failure not on an inept government but on the fecundity of the poor. And it offers a means for controlling any evidence of popular dissatisfaction with public mismanagement.

The masses of the urban poor have always been perceived as a threat to economically inept and despotic governments. From the bread and circuses of the Romans to the forced migrations in modern Cambodia, rulers have sought means of neutralising the potentially turbulent urban multitudes.

Selective arrests, and threats of arrests, in the name of "family planning" in troubled urban areas can be used for any purpose which the regime may find politically useful.

There is no doubt that Indira Gandhi and Mrs. Sadat have been inspired by the American population control movement which has been so energetically propagated throughout the underdeveloped world in recent decades.

Events in India now suggest the very literal meaning of "population control."

This is not to argue that family planning enthusiasts are necessarily social Darwinists, seeing dreams of power through the utility control and selective breeding.

The great goodwill with which teachers of the new faith have come forth from America in the past few years in recent decades is a testament of the 19th-century American missionary movement.

The intent of these people and their compatriots in the foreign aid programme is to do good.

This having been said, it also be acknowledged that the concept of the good which is advanced by many population control enthusiasts is not one of the most sublime ethical views ever produced by man.

The emphasis on a technologically luxurious "quality of life" and on preventing the birth of physically handicapped, but intelligent, and the economic deprivation seems grossly ignorant of the meaning of human existence.

Above all, its preoccupation with ridding much of the world of what it obviously regards as an undesirable human element places it among the less humane of ethical views.



Zulu dancers at the Shembe festival perform their spiritual dances every July.

Zulus hold spectacular festival to celebrate miraculous Christian conversion

PETOWN, South Africa (CSM) — It's a never-to-be forgotten sight — thousands of Zulu dancers leaping in wave after undulating wave over the brow of a grassy hill.

Stamping out a rhythm as precisely as West Point cadets on parade, they advance slowly and deliberately, like the incoming tide. There is a hint in it all of the le and might of the Zulu impis (regiments) of former days. But it is a religious festival — a demoving spiritual experience for the followers of Isiah Shembe.

It is also a foremost tourist attraction (a fact quite happily accepted by the people of Shembe) in South Africa each July. (A slightless spectacular Shembe festival takes place in January).

It is a week-long festival, an occasion for dancing such as few countries know, which culminates the Sunday nearest July 25 (this year).

The setting is the village of Ekuphakameni ("The place of spiritual uplift") which the Shembe founded among the sugarcaned hills of Inanda, 18 miles north of Durban.

Isiah Shembe, descended on his mother's side from the Zulu king, was born in the foothills of the Drakensberg mountains in 1869. He was given a normal tribal education of his complete, receiving no formal Western education.

He could heal others through prayer, too, and his fame spread. Later he founded the Nazirite Church (a Christian sect influenced more by the Old than the New Testament, and including some traditional tribal ceremonies).

Donations from those Shembe he had healed enabled him to buy a 38-acre tract of land and establish his "Place of Spiritual Uplift."

Shembe passed on in 1935 and was buried at Ekuphakameni, which became a shrine, attracting many of his 40,000 followers every July.

The movement, now governed by a son, Johannes Galilee Shembe, owes much of its present popularity to its healings and spectacular festivals.

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education, either secular or religious.

As a young man he became conscious of an "inner voice" which, he said, guided him in all decisions. It was this inner voice that told him to abandon polygamy — a standard tribal practice to this day — and he immediately gave up all but one of his wives.

The repercussions from this action were considerable, but Shembe would not recant. The upheaval was enough, however, for him to contemplate suicide. But the inner voice forbade him to take his life.

Soon after this experience he became an active member of the Methodist Church and became devoutly religious following a healing through prayer after lightning had crippled him. He found

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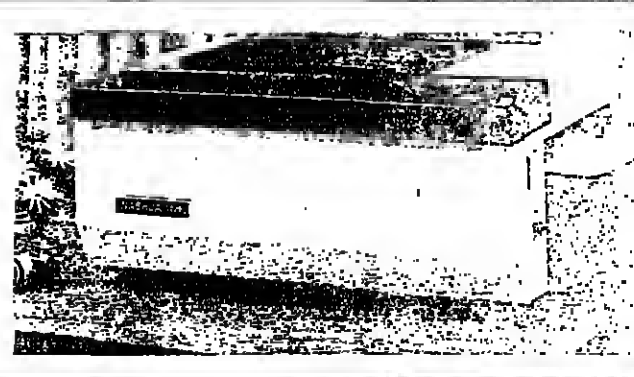
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Soares seeks support for his policies

LISBON, July 19 (AFP). — Prime Minister designate Mario Soares today began consultations with representatives of all parties represented in the national assembly in quest of broad-based support for his policies.

Mr. Soares, who earlier indicated that he has chosen the members of his new government, said he was leaving the door open to change following the meeting with other political parties.

The Socialist Party leader will also meet representatives of trade unions and the employers association before announcing the composition of his cabinet and presenting its programme to the assembly.

Citing a source close to Mr. Soares, the daily *Diário de Notícias* said the programme might not be presented until the end of July — the deadline under the constitution. In this case, the Soares government would not assume power until the beginning of August.

Meanwhile, the Communist Daily *O'Diário* attacked Mr. Soares for his position in favour of the return of former President Antonio Spínola, whom the newspaper called "a traitor."

It criticized Mr. Soares for wanting to ignore "the ugly past" and said his opinion on the matter was "incompatible with popular sentiment."

Separately, President Antonio Ramalho Eanes said army discipline was not yet returned to a suitable level following the events of November 25, 1975, when leftwing paratroopers sought to seize four of the country's air bases.

Speaking at the investiture of Army Chief of Staff Joaquim Rocha Vieira, the president said discipline had broken down even before that date.

"The institution of the military had disappeared, buried by violence and lack of discipline," he said, adding that the army "had forgotten its mission and threatened to become an 'ensemble of groups pledged to different parties.'"

He concluded his remarks with a reminder to the army of its role under the constitution as "guarantor of democratic rights in the struggle towards a socialist society."

More killings in Rhodesia guerrilla war

SALISBURY, July 19 (AFP). — Twelve Africans — five of them nationalist guerrillas — and two Rhodesian soldiers were killed in clashes over the past two days, a Rhodesian security force communiqué said here today.

In addition two border area curfew breakers were killed by Rhodesian troops and another wounded, the communiqué added.

An African youth died after tampering with a mortar bomb, it said.

The communiqué said an unoccupied white farm and an eastern border tea estate had come under guerrilla fire but the guerrillas attacking the tea estate fled after estate staff and police reservists returned their fire.

Today's figures bring the number of guerrillas reported killed this year to 517. Fifty two Rhodesian troops have been killed.

Spain leftists claim bomb wave responsibility

MADRID, July 19, (R). — Leftist guerrillas claimed responsibility today for a wave of bomb blasts on Spain's 40th anniversary of the outbreak of the country's civil war.

The bombs exploded yesterday in Madrid and other cities.

Targets were mainly office buildings and civil war monuments. They would not have the slightest effect on government plans for reform, government sources said today.

The incidents in which two people were hurt were a provocation by enemies of democracy, the sources said.

A hitherto unknown leftwing guerrilla organisation calling itself the "groups of anti-fascist resistance — 1st of October" claimed responsibility for the explosion.

In a pamphlet distributed throughout Spain, the group also claimed responsibility for shooting four Madrid policemen dead last October 1, four days after the execution of five urban guerrillas.

Viking Mars landing ready

[Continued from page 1] Geologist Harold Masursky, leader of the team which selected Viking's landing site, says photographs taken from the orbiting Viking show the planet's surface has been cut up by floods much more violent than any known on earth.

The previous existence of this water — and the suspected presence of ice still under the surface — is one of the reasons why some scientists are hopeful about finding signs of life.

LONDON MARKET REPORT

The market closed quietly easier in front of expected details of the government expenditure cuts Monday, dealers said.

Government stocks eased in small selling, with longs losing 1/8 or 1/4 while shorts lost around 1/4 to 3/8 point.

Leading industrials were slightly off the bottom by the close. Shares lost mostly 2p to 4p. At 1500 the F.T. index was down 3.1 at 387.9.

BP was easier in mostly steady oils, still reflecting the problems with Alaskan pipeline, dealers added. Banks were steady all day.

Mining shares were easier with the sharply lower gold bullion price, and falls of up to 67-1/2p were seen in heavyweight gold producers. Australians also tended easier.

Royal Sovereign rose a net 12p after news of its involvement in merger talks with the Dickinson Robinson group, which eased 3p, dealers said.

Among companies reporting results today, Rank Organisation halved an earlier 4p fall after half-yearly figures, dealers added.

Falls of 2p to 4p were recorded by Bowater, ICI, Glaxo, Thorn, GKN, Beecham and Unilever, while Hawker and Tubes eased 6p each. Lucas, Fisons and GEC recovered earlier falls of a penny or so.

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FLIGHT TO PERFECTION — Fifteen-year old Nadia Comaneci of Romania flies herself out of the uneven bars to score a perfect 10 at the Olympic women's teams competitions at the Montreal Forum Sunday. It was the first 10 in Olympic history. (AP wirephoto).

U.S., E. Germany lead swimmers

Olympic movement split threatened

MONTREAL, July 19 (R). — Soviet veteran Boris Onischenko, 38, was disqualified from the Montreal games today for fighting with a "rigged" epee in the modern pentathlon.

The incident destroyed the Russians' chances of repeating their Munich gold medal win in the five-event discipline.

Mr. Carl Schwende, chief of discipline in charge of fencing, said the Russian had denied the epee was his property.

"But the weapon had definitely been tampered with," he added. "Someone had wired it in such a way that it would score a winning hit without even making contact."

This fencing sensation dwarfed developments in other sports — even the swimming where the United States and East Germany gave brilliant performances last night.

The American medley swept the medals board in record time in the men's 200 metre butterfly. They also burst through the world mark held by the East Germans in the semi-final of the men's 100-metre backstroke.

The East German women hit back by capturing their first Olympic swimming gold in the 4x100 metres medley relay and broke the world record they set last month.

American John Hencken today equalled his world 100-metre breaststroke record to clock the fastest time for tonight's semi-finals.

The American men are expected to win tonight's finals in the 100-metre backstroke and 200 metres freestyle. But only Californian Shirley Babashoff seems to have any chance of withstanding the onslaught of the East German women in the 100 metres freestyle and 200 metres butterfly.

In the hockey tournament, a young Netherlands side created a Schmidt angers French on Italy

[Continued from page 1] mention weekend reports quoting West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, that the United States, West Germany, France and Britain had agreed not to give Italy further financial aid if communists joined its government.

Mr. Ford commented that communist participation in Rome would have "an unfortunate impact" on the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, and the U.S. had "apprehension on a broader basis."

Intense mountain battles expected

[Continued from page 1] organisations to act before it was "too late."

In a related development, Israeli authorities arrested a Greek freighter en route from Egypt to Lebanon with a load of arms on July 2, a spokesman for the Greek Foreign Ministry said in Athens today.

The Israelis later released the ship which is now in the Israeli port of Haifa for repairs, the spokesman said.

Israeli Radio said the arms were impounded but that it appeared no charges would be pressed against the crew.

The United States has meanwhile said today it had put off an evacuation from Lebanon of U.S. and other foreign nationals because the overland route the refugee convoy was to have taken tomorrow to Syria was not secure.

U.S. officials said a new date for the evacuation would be announced in a few days.

major upset to the Olympics today when it defeated world cup champions India 3-1 in their group "A" match.

And in shooting, Karlheinz Smieszek of West Germany won the Olympic gold medal in the "rifle, prone position" shooting competition today with 599 points out of a possible 600.

Smieszek's score equalled the Olympic and world records.

Meanwhile, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) today put off any decision to punish more than 20 African countries that walked out of the Montreal Olympic games.

But Olympic officials said it seemed certain the Africans would be penalised for their Olympic boycott, and there were fears here that the world could split into two rival sports groups.

Kuwait's budget eyes increased oil revenue

KUWAIT, July 19, (R). — Kuwait's national assembly last night approved a record budget envisaging a 25 per cent increase in oil revenues.

The projected income from oil, reaching 2,111 million dinars (£4,000 million), would account for 97 per cent of total income, estimated at 2,173 million dinars (£4,175 million).

The assembly approved the budget for the year 1976/77 shortly before midnight after a 15-hour session — the longest in its history.

Last year's total revenue was estimated at 1,737 million dinars (£3,340 million) of which oil income was to total 1,687 million dinars (£3,240 million).

This year's budget, to be backdated to July 1, plans a 25 per cent increase in total expenditure to 1,273 million dinars (£2,450 million).

Development expenditure at 343 million dinars (£680 million) this year was also 25 per cent up on last year.

But this year's projected surplus of 849 million dinars (£1,630 million) was 12 million dinars below last year's. It accounted for 39 per cent of total revenue.

Officials said that 50 million dinars (£100 million) unaccounted for in the budget were to be transferred to the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development (KF-AED), the state's foreign aid agency.

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Kenya journalist arrested over Israel raid criticism

NAIROBI, July 19 (AFP). — Kenyan journalist Philip Ochieng was arrested yesterday by Kenyan security police.

Observers here believe he was picked up for what he wrote about the Kenyan Government's handling of the Israeli raid on Entebbe airport, Uganda.

In a commentary on July 11, in the Christian Council of Kenya weekly paper, *Target*, entitled "a nation of sheep," Mr. Ochieng accused the Kenyan authorities and newspapers of forgetting the "real issue by supporting the invasion because Israel had succeeded in embarrassing one man — Idi Amin."

The commentary was later criticised by one of the country's main newspapers, *The Standard*, which accused Mr. Ochieng of Marxist leanings.

Family sources told AFP today that Mr. Ochieng was picked up by security men when he left home to attend a football league match at Nairobi city stadium yesterday and spent the night in police cells.

Early today security forces brought him home to search for

Israel accused of taking 3/4 of Galilee since 1948

TEL AVIV, July 19 (R). — Israeli Arabs said today that about 580 square miles (150,000 hectares) of Arab land in Galilee had been requisitioned by the Israeli authorities since 1948.

Spokesmen for the Committee for the Defence of Arab Land, organisers of demonstrations in Galilee on March 30 in which six Arabs were killed, told a press conference that only 200 square miles (50,000 hectares) remained in the hands of Arab landowners "or less than a quarter acre (0.1 hectare) per person."

Most of the speakers at today's press conference were believed to be members of the Rakah Israeli Communist Party.

Mr. Shmuel Toledano, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's adviser for Arab affairs, claimed in a statement to reporters that only four square miles (1,000 hectares) of Arab land had been requisitioned in Galilee, for public works and development purposes.

Mr. Toledano said the Israeli government had however taken over some Arab land when the owners fled during the first Arab-Israeli war in 1948.

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